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In re Application of  
Donna G. Albertson et al.  
Application No. 09/285,292  
Filed: April 2, 1999  
Attorney Docket No. 023070-09140

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**ON PETITION**

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed April 7, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **GRANTED**.

The above-identified application became abandoned as a result of petitioner's failure to reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 in a timely manner in reply to the final Office action mailed September 27, 2002, which set a shortened statutory period for reply of three months. No extensions of time under the provisions of 37 CFR 1.136(a) were obtained. Accordingly, the application became abandoned on December 28, 2002.

**The two-month period for filing an appeal brief in triplicate (accompanied by the fee required by 37 CFR 1.17(c)), runs from the date of this decision.**

This application is being forwarded to Technology Center AU 1642.

Telephone inquiries regarding this decision may be directed to the undersigned at (703) 308-6911.

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